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HIGHWAY SAFETY REPORT

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The purpose of this report is to brief the Commission on three separate components of highway safety information. All three presentations are slide shows. The three presentations are:

- Work Zone Safety
- **Incident Response Program Update** (Including the new partnership with Shell Oil Co. and Fisher Broadcasting Corporation)
- WSDOT's Corridor Safety Program (Recipient of the Governor's Award for Quality)

Work Zone Safety – The first presentation will center on work zone safety and mobility. This presentation is a more comprehensive follow-up to the presentation made by Doug MacDonald in August after the death of Wayne Jake Baardson. There are many other ongoing work zone issues. Driver safety, employee safety and mobility are WSDOT's priorities and this presentation will discuss the many efforts by WSDOT to improve these areas.

Incident Response Program Update – This presentation will provide a brief update on the Incident Response program. Also including will be a short description of the new pilot project in partnership with Shell Oil Co. and Fisher Broadcasting Corp., to improve traveler information in the Puget Sound Region.

Corridor Safety Award – Staff in the Traffic Office, in partnership with the Washington Traffic Safety Commission and the Washington State Patrol, have teamed up to identify and deliver corridor safety emphasis projects in many regions throughout the state. This presentation will share some of those successes with you, and describe how the program recently won a Governor's Award for Quality.